

Regular Session, 2012

HOUSE BILL NO. 37

BY REPRESENTATIVE GISCLAIR

COURTS/MAYORS: Provides for additional court costs for the Lockport mayor's court

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 33:447.9, relative to the Mayor's Court of the town of Lockport; to provide for
3 additional court costs for violations of municipal ordinances; to provide for the use
4 of additional funds; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 33:447.9 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §447.9. Mayor's court; town of Lockport; additional court costs

8 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the mayor of the
9 town of Lockport may also impose additional court costs not to exceed forty dollars
10 for each offense, as defined by ordinance, on any defendant convicted of a violation
11 of a municipal ordinance. Any additional amount in court costs collected pursuant
12 to this Section shall be allocated to the town of Lockport to be used for the purchase,
13 repair, and replacement of law enforcement equipment and technological upgrades
14 for the town of Lockport and the Lockport Police Department.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes an increase of \$40 in court costs for violations of municipal ordinances in the Mayor's Court of the town of Lockport.

Present law (R.S. 33:441) authorizes a mayor, as the presiding officer of a mayor's court, to impose court costs, not to exceed \$30 for each offense, on any defendant convicted of a violation of a municipal ordinance.

Proposed law authorizes the mayor for the town of Lockport to impose additional court costs not to exceed \$40 for each offense on any defendant convicted of a violation of a municipal ordinance.

Proposed law requires that the additional costs be used for the purchase, repair, and replacement of law enforcement equipment and technological upgrades for the town of Lockport and the Lockport Police Dept.

(Adds R.S. 33:447.9)